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For: ARTICLE HAVING A CIRCUIT SOLDERED WITH PARTS AND METHOD FOR

RECYCLING WASTES OF THE SAME

APPEAL BRIEF

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Status of Claims

Claims 1-5, 7, 9, 10 and 15-20 are canceled. Claims 6, 8, 11-14 and 21 are pending, with claims 11-13 being withdrawn from consideration. Claims 6, 8, 14 and 21 stand rejected and are on appeal.

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Summary of Claimed Subject Matter

Independent claim 6 is directed to an article (Figure 12; element 11 and/or 16) having a circuit with parts (Figures 12-13; unnumbered components on element 11), which are soldered by a lead free solder (page 9, lines 23-24), and identification information indicating presence of lead in said article when said article does not contain lead (page 9, lines 21-22), said identification information carrying information about the type and composition of the solder, kind of soldered parts, and a material of said article (page 21, lines 1-6), said article having an IC (Figures 12-13; element 17) carrying said identification information.

Independent claim 8 is directed to an electrical appliance (page 9, last two lines) comprising an article (Figure 12; element 11) having a circuit with parts (Figures 12-13; unnumbered components on element 11) soldered with a lead free solder (page 9, lines 23-24) and a housing (Figure 12; element 16) accommodating said article, wherein said housing has an IC (Figure 12; element 17) carrying identification information indicating presence of lead in said respective article or housing when said respective article or housing contains lead and indicating absence of lead in said respective article or housing when said respective article or housing does not contain lead (page 9, lines 21-22), said identification information carrying information about the type and composition of the solder, kind of soldered parts, and a material of said article (page 21, lines 1-6).

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REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that the enclosed Appeal Brief Addendum obviates the issues raised in the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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